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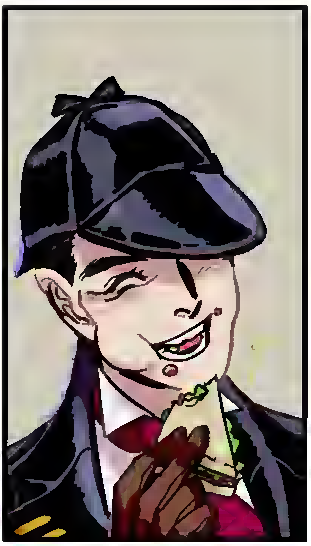

THIS IS ALMOST AS GOOD AS GALLIAN CUISINE!

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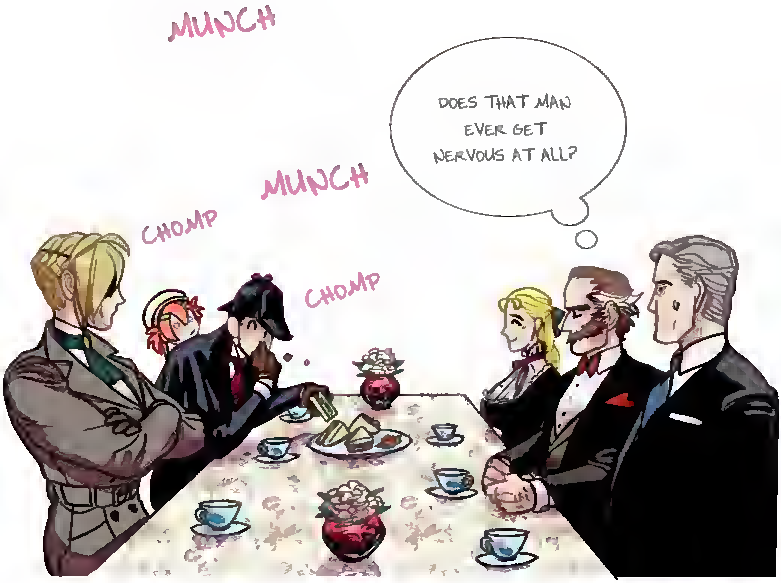

THANK YOU FOR

YOUR HIGH PRAISE.

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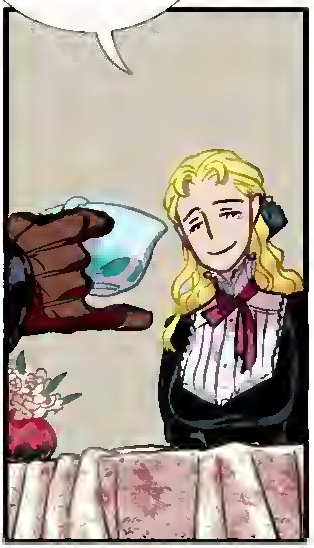
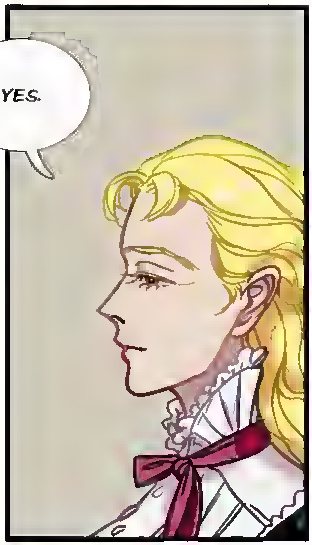


I'M DEEPLY OBLIGED.

YOU THINK ENGLE DID IT?



SO DO I.
IT WAS ENGLE.

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HOLMES

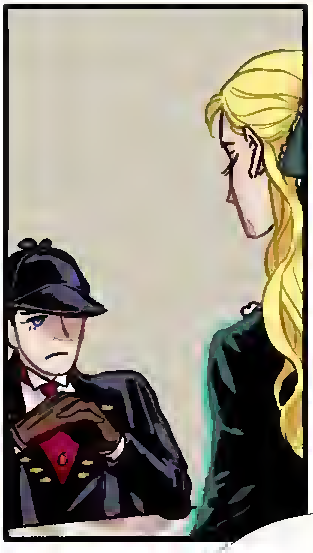
ALTHOUGH ENGLE HAS ONLY BEEN WORKING FOR YOU FOR ONE YEAR. I'M SURE SHE OFFERED YOU THE GREATEST COMFORT WHEN YOU WERE SO LONELY.

YOU'LL FEEL SO MUCH BETTER WHEN YOU WAKE UP – YOU WON'T REGRET TALKING WITH ME.

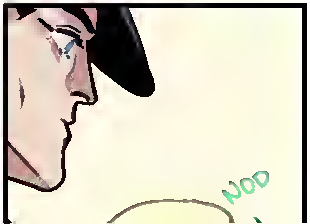
'MISS' JULIA

I DIDN'T KNOW WHY BUT MEETING HER ALWAYS CHEERED ME UP-

YOU THINK THAT WAS HYPNOSIS?



YES. REHAB BROUGHT OUT ALL THE SUPPRESSED FRAGEMENTS OF MY MEMORY.



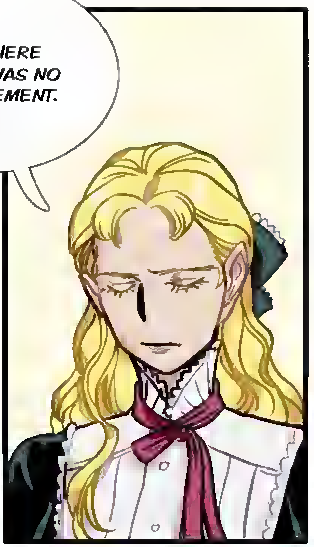
SHE'LL TELL THE TRUTH.

HOLMES

SO, MISS JULIA, WHEN YOU WERE LETHARGIC WITH YOUR DEPRESSION, YOU WOULD LET ENGLE DO WHATEVER SHE PLEASED, HYPNOSIS OR NO HYPNOSIS.

AND THAT'S HOW SHE GOT FREE ACCESS TO THE CELLAR AND THE PANTRY. AS WELL AS THE OTHER MAIDS' ROOMS CARII NOT BEING INSTRUCTED TO CLEAN ROOMS WAS ALSO BECAUSE OF THAT. AM I CORRECT?

YES. THERE SIMPLY WAS NO MANAGEMENT.



HOLMES
ENGLE WAS OBSESSED WITH CLEANLINESS; SO MUCH SO THAT SHE WOULD SOMEHOW MAKE TIME FOR A MORNING SHOWER, EVEN WHEN SHE HAD TO WAKE UP AT 3AM.
ALL THOSE CHEMICAL EXPERIMENTS LEFT HER WITH MYSOPHOBIA. BUT THAT WAS ALL TO HER BENEFIT IN THE END.
WHY THE KITCHEN? IT'S SO CRAMMED AND STINKS OF FOOD.
I REALLY DO LIKE TO...
KEEP CLEAN...

FIRST, IT HELPED HER WASH OFF THAT AWFUL STENCH FROM HER HANDS AND BODY AFTER FEEDING SAUSAGES TO SIR MYLES.

SECOND, WHILE SIR MYLES

WAS FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THE MAD SPIRIT. SHE HAD A STRONG ALIBI; THAT SHE WAS IN THE SHOWER – AS SHE SO OFTEN WAS.
THERE WAS NOT A SINGLE CRIMINAL TRICK USED ON THE DOOR. THAT COULD EASILY LEAD PEOPLE TO THINK ANYONE HAD ACCESS TO THE CRIME SCENE.
NOW THAT WOULD PUT THOSE MAIDS. ESPECIALLY THE ONES WHO HAD NO STRONG ALIBI

OR WHO ACTED OUT OF THE ORDINARY. UNDER STRONG SUSPICION A CLEVER DECOY

THIRD. THAT HABIT OF HERS ALSO MADE IT DIFFICULT TO LINK HER WITH ANOTHER MAID WHOSE ROOM STANK

CARII. WHO USED TO BE SO HEALTHY. LOST SO MUCH WEIGHT AND EVEN HAD A COLD BECAUSE ENGLE HYPNOTISED HER TO TEST THE DRUGS ON HER.

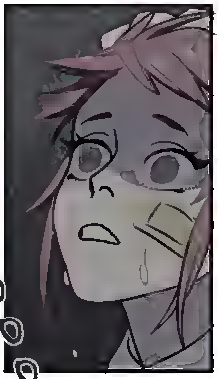
HAVE YOU GOT A COLD?

THAT'S A STRANGE QUESTION. BUT YES. CARII'S ROOM DID

NO. IT'S NOTHING.

SMELL RATHER FISHY OF LATE.

THOUGH I CAN'T BE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN, IT SEEMS THE HYPNOTIC GAS WORKS BEST WHEN APPLIED WITH THE MAD SPIRIT. WE CAN SEE THAT IN CARII'S CASE



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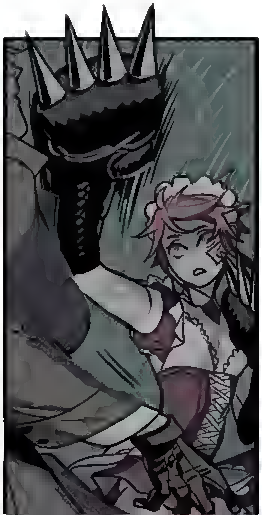


SHE WAS SO OFTEN SUBJECTED TO EXPERIMENTS THAT UNLIKE THE OTHERS, SHE WOULD GO UNDER HYPNOSIS EVEN WITHOUT INHALING

THE GAS

AND FINALLY, ENGLE CHOSE CYBILL AS A SCAPEGOAT TO TAKE ALL THE BLAME. IT MUST HAVE BEEN EASY TO STRENGTHEN HER HYPNOTIC CONTROL WHEN THEY OFTEN MET FOR FORTUNE-TELLING.

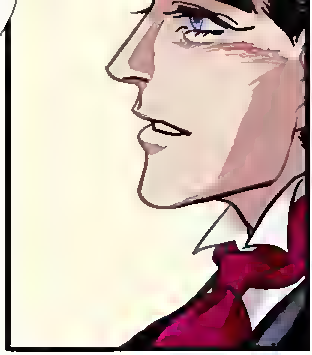
AND ALTHOUGH IT WAS MANY, MANY YEARS AGO, THE HISTORY OF CURSE MAGIC AND THE MAGIC PLAGUE WOULD MAKE HER A NATURAL SUSPECT

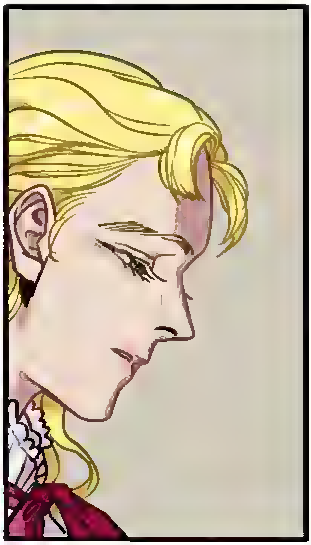
CYBILL REALLY PLAYED HER PART WELL TOO - PROBABLY BECAUSE SHE HAD SO MUCH OF THE MAD SPIRIT AND THE GAS. SHE DID WELL, AS SHE WAS INSTRUCTED.

MEANWHILE, ENGLE WENT TO SUCH EXTREMES AS TO USE THE SAME SUBSTANCE ON HERSELF - A PERFECT COVER AS JUST ANOTHER VICTIM. THAT'S HOW SHE GOT OUT.

...
UNLIKE THE OTHERS,
I'M SURE YOU HAD

SO MUCH TO TELL.



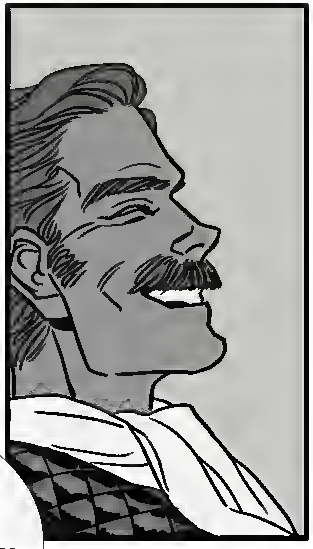


... ...

HOLMES

BUT LETHARGY.
AN AFTEREFFECT
OF HYPNOSIS.

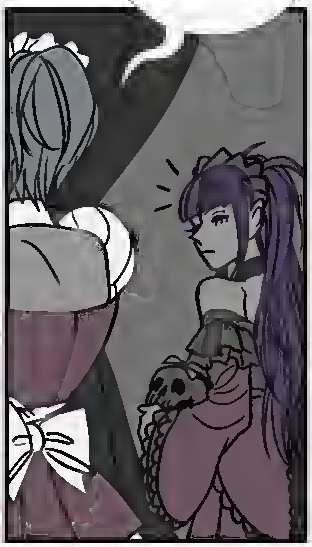
AND YOUR
LESS THAN FAVOURABLE
FEELINGS TOWARDS
SIR MYLES



ALL ADDED UP
TO SEAL YOUR LIPS,
AS IT WERE –
YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO
SAY TO WHOM. NOR
WHEN OR WHERE.

...YOU'RE RIGHT.

SO LET ME ASK YOU...
I'M SURE ENGLE SAID SOME OF THE MOST BIZARRE THINGS TO YOU.
THOSE WORDS WERE MEANT FOR ME, I BELIEVE.
SHE WAS SO DESPERATE TO PLAY ME
THINKING BACK NOW, FOR THE PAST YEAR, WHENEVER SHE WAS ALONE WITH ENGLE...


HM HM -

♫ MAN. SHIELD. LUST.
MAN. SHIELD. LUST.♫
NO. NO
A PRINCESS MUST BE
WITHOUT THEM ALL - ♫

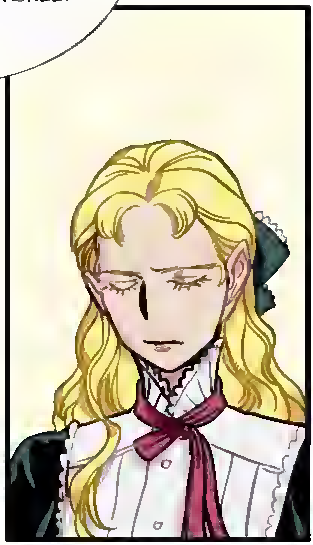
WHAT. WHAT IS THAT HORRID SONG?

THERE SHE GOES AGAIN...

DID SHE REALLY SING THAT? OR DID SHE SIMPLY MAKE UP SOME GIBBERISH BECAUSE SHE HATED SIR MYLES SO MUCH AND DIDN'T WANT THE REAL MURDERER TO BE CAUGHT?

IT WAS GOOD TO HAVE LESTRADE WITH ME HERE.
Whisk
AT THE MOMENT ENGLE IS SUSPECTED OF MURDERING SIR MYLES UNDER CONTRACT FROM AN INTELLIGENCE BUREAU INSIDER.
CREEAK..

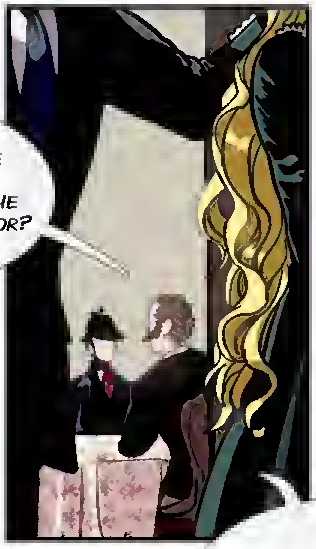
NOW THAT YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED THE CRIMINAL. I AM OF THE VIEW THAT YOU MUST BE ISSUED A NEW IDENTITY AND MOVED TO A NEW SAFE HOUSE. DO YOU AGREE?



I DON'T MIND.

GET HER TO THE CARRIAGE NOW I'LL BE WITH YOU

SHORTLY



WILL THIS BE ENOUGH TO PROSECUTE THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR?

YES.

YOU CAN PROSECUTE HIM WITHOUT ANY EVIDENCE THAT HE CONTRACTED ENGLE TO KILL?

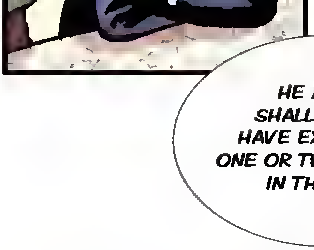
YES. I SAY!

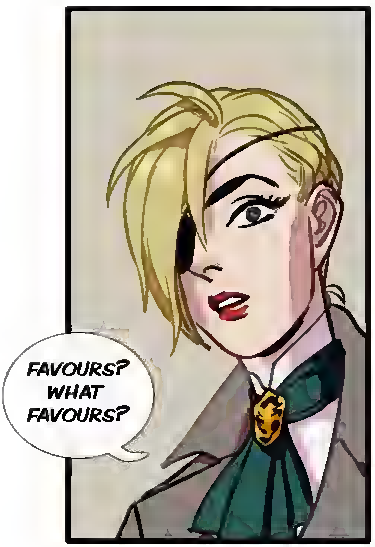
AS YOU SAID, MR. HOLMES, I SHALL TAKE MISS JULIA TO A NEW LOCATION...

CREAK...

BUT THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME I HELP YOU. I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND MY SAYING THAT.

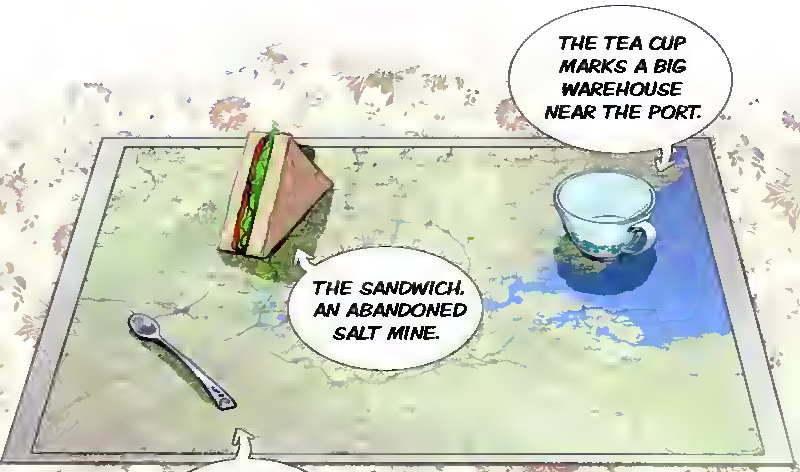
CLUNK...
IT WAS YOUR INFORMANT WHO TOLD YOU ABOUT THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S SECRET GATHERING? THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR TRUSTED ONE OF YOUR FRIENDS?
THAT WAS SO LONG AGO - SO THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR DIDN'T MAKE MUCH OF IT.


HE AND I,
SHALL WE SAY,
HAVE EXCHANGED
ONE OR TWO FAVOURS
IN THE PAST.


FAVOURS?
WHAT
FAVOURS?

SHOAP
GENTLEMEN. WHILE THE SUPERINTENDENT WAS BUSY SEARCHING FOR MISS JULIA, I NARROWED IT DOWN TO THREE POSSIBLE LOCATIONS.
COME ALONG. WE HAVE MUCH WORK TO DO. FOR NOW, LET'S GO AND FIND ENGLE'S GAS STORAGE

OUT OF 44 SECRET SITES THAT THE INTELLIGENCE BUREAU OWNS, ONLY THREE ARE BIG AND REMOTE ENOUGH TO HOUSE AN UNDERGROUND STORAGE ROOM – HERE, HERE AND HERE.



WE CAN'T POSSIBLY RAID ALL THREE LOCATIONS SINCE WE'RE ON THE RUN ONE AT MOST. I THINK. NOW, WHERE DO WE THINK THE GAS STORAGE IS? WE WERE GIVEN ANOTHER CLUE IN THAT HORRID SONG

WE HEARD EARLIER.

WHY DO YOU BOTHER, HOLMES? YOU CAN JUST TELL US THE ANSWER LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO

BUT IT'S SUCH FUN!

FUN? THAT'S ALL IT IS?

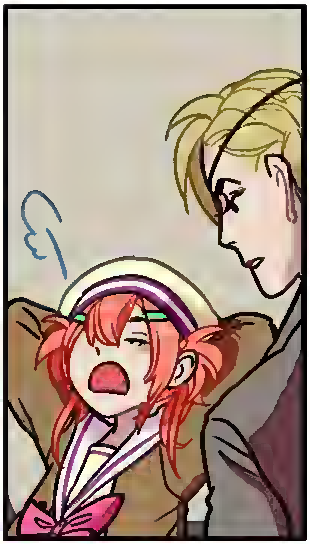
THE GAS STORAGE ROOM MUST BE MORIARTY'S BASE AND ALMOST IMPREGNABLE. THESE TWO MUST LEARN THE SCIENCE OF DEDUCTION AS MUCH AS THEY CAN LEST I PERISH DURING THIS RAID THEY MUST DEFEND ELDER BRITAIN FROM ENEMY AGENTS.

THE ANSWER IS THE SILVER SPOON.

WHAT MADE YOU THINK THAT?

!

HMM. WELL. GOOD QUESTION. IT JUST FELT RIGHT. IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN..
?
– THIS IS NOT SOME GAME! YOU MUST BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN YOUR DEDUCTIVE REASONING.

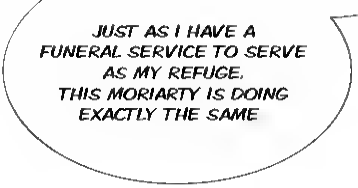


ISN'T IT ALL ABOUT GETTING THE RIGHT ANSWER IN THE END? ANYHOW, THE ANSWER IS THE SILVER SPOON!

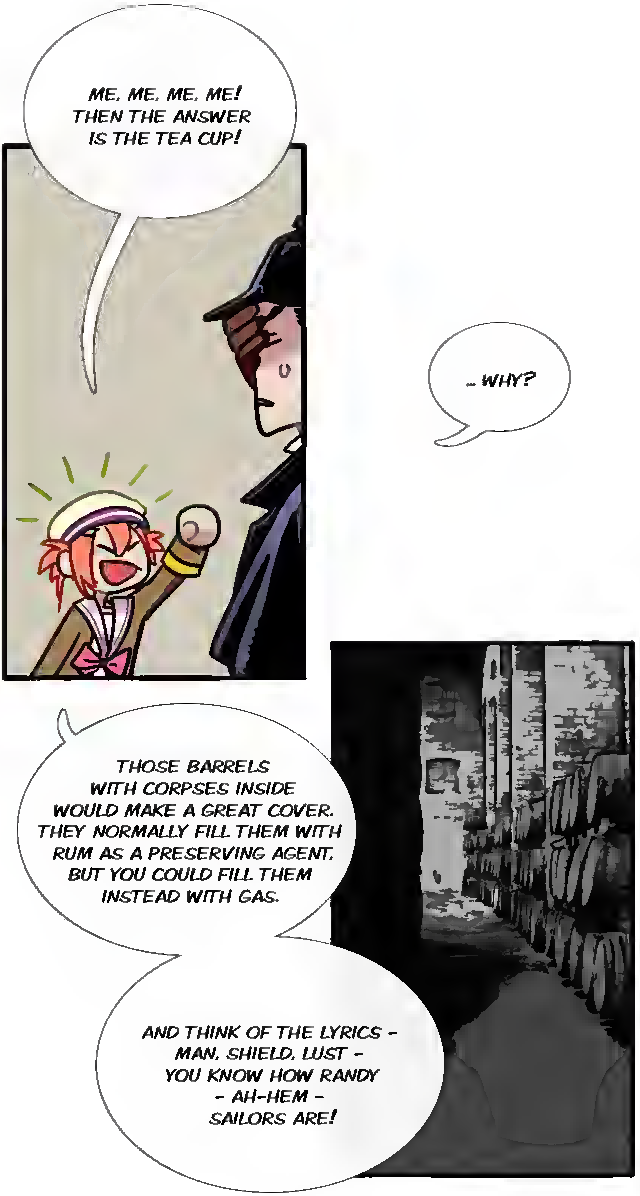
WELL, YOU'RE RATHER CONVINCING THERE - I'D LIKE TO AGREE WITH YOU.

YOU REALLY ARE TESTING MY PATIENCE

PERHAPS WE'D BETTER START WITH WHAT WE KNOW THIS PARTICULAR MORIARTY AND I THINK ALIKE. EVEN IF WE ACTUALLY DON'T. THEY'RE MAKING IT SO.

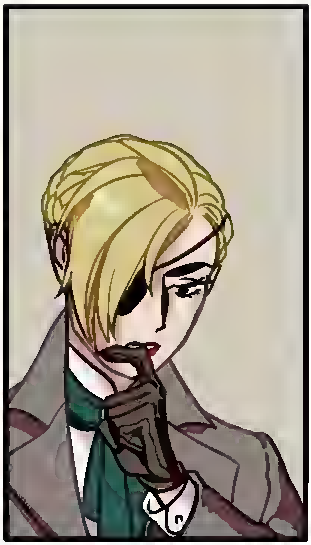

JUST AS I HAVE A
FUNERAL SERVICE TO SERVE
AS MY REFUGE,
THIS MORIARTY IS DOING
EXACTLY THE SAME

NOW THAT THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN AT WAR FOR SO LONG, FUNERAL SERVICES ARE EVERYWHERE AND CAN GO ANYWHERE. THAT'S A GOOD COVER AND FEW WOULD DARE TO INSPECT A COFFIN.
CORRECT!


ME, ME, ME, ME!
THEN THE ANSWER
IS THE TEA CUP!
.. WHY?
THOSE BARRELS
WITH CORPSES INSIDE
WOULD MAKE A GREAT COVER.
THEY NORMALLY FILL THEM WITH
RUM AS A PRESERVING AGENT.
BUT YOU COULD FILL THEM
INSTEAD WITH GAS.
AND THINK OF THE LYRICS -
MAN, SHIELD, LUST -
YOU KNOW HOW RANDY
- AH-HEM -
SAILORS ARE!

... I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THAT ONE.
GOOD TRY. BUT WRONG, I'M AFRAID THERE'S ALWAYS A FAIR AMOUNT OF TRADE GOING ON IN THOSE WAREHOUSES. WOULDN'T IT SEEM STRANGE IF HEARSES KEPT BRINGING IN BARRELS BUT NEVER TOOK ONE OUT? SO A MID-POINT STORAGE AT MOST.

THEN IT MUST BE THE CLOSED SALT MINE IT'S DEEP IN A MOUNTAIN AND DIFFICULT TO GET TO - THEY COULD HAVE BUILT WHATEVER THEY PLEASED IN ALL THAT SPACE.



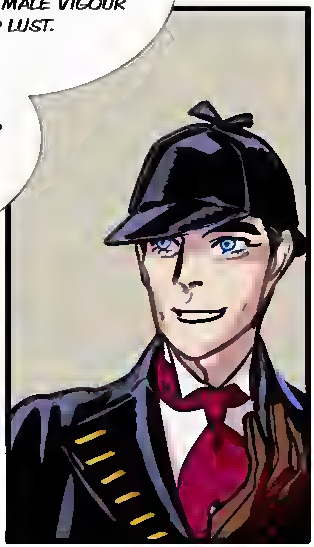
SALT MINES AND COAL MINES ARE NOT RARE IN EUROPE

HOLMES

BUT WHAT IF THOSE SHEPHERDS LET LOOSE THEIR GOATS NEAR A SALT MINE? YOU KNOW. GOATS GO CRAZY FOR SALT - THEY COULDN'T HAVE KEPT IT A SECRET.

THINK ABOUT ENGLE'S SONG. GOATS SYMBOLIZE MALE VIGOUR AND LUST.

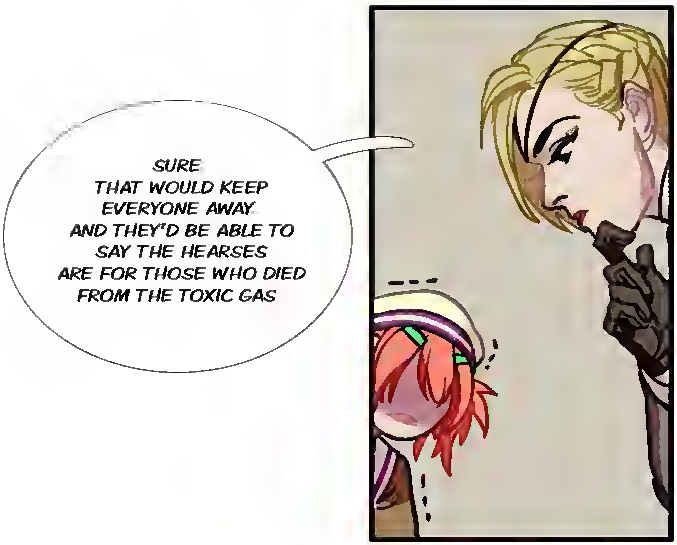
IN CLASSIC AEGEAN MYTHOLOGY, THE SKIN OF A GOAT CALLED AMALTHEA WAS USED TO MAKE THE LEGENDARY SHIELD – AEGIS.



MAN, SHIELD, LUST.

SHE SAID THAT THERE SHOULD NOT BE ALL THOSE THINGS.

IT HAS THE SAME CONDITIONS AS THE SANDWICH. BUT YOU'VE HEARD THE RUMOURS ABOUT HOW MINES RELEASE TOXIC GAS WHEN CHLORINE IS INTRODUCED?


SURE
THAT WOULD KEEP
EVERYONE AWAY.
AND THEY'D BE ABLE TO
SAY THE HEARSES
ARE FOR THOSE WHO DIED
FROM THE TOXIC GAS

KWAA
SO I DID SAY THE SILVER
SPOON TO BEGIN WITH!!
WHY DID YOU SAY
I WAS WRONG THEN?
WHY? WHY DID YOU
MISLEAD ME?
AARGH

YOU. YOU'RE SO FULL OF YOURSELF. YOU DO THIS ALL THE TIME. YOU NEVER SHARE YOUR ANSWERS UNTIL SOMEONE MAKES A FOOL OUT OF HIMSELF – THEN YOU LAUGH IN THEIR FACES!!
SHRILL
SHRILL
BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? YOU ONLY HAVE YOUR SMARTY ANSWERS BECAUSE YOU'VE DONE YOUR RESEARCH AND I DIDN'T.

ALL THE GAME FOR COATS OR AEGIS OR WHATEVER!

NO, LESTRADE, YOU HAVE TO GET THE PROCESS RIGHT AS WELL.

YOU JUST WAIT TILL WE ACTUALLY HAVE THOSE ARTIFICIAL MAGIC STONE BRAINS LIKE WELLS OR HUXLEY TALKS ABOUT! THAT'LL BE THE END OF OF YOU, YOU FOOL! THEY WILL GIVE US ALL THE ANSWERS WE NEED!

PUT ICE IN YOUR
WANT ICE-COLD BEER.
WHAT.WHAT.
I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU, LESTRADE, IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT THE ANSWERS.

Sher lock

Her Majesty's Detective